OMNIBUS BUDGET RECONCILIATION

Committee on the Budget: Committee began markup of proposed legislation to provide for reconciliation pursuant to H. Con. Res. 67, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Monday, October 23.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee resumed hearings to examine the status of religious liberty in the United States and whether there is a need for further

legal protection, receiving testimony from Steven T. McFarland, Christian Legal Society's Center for Law and Religious Freedom, Annandale, Virginia; Douglas Laycock, University of Texas Law School, Austin; Oliver S. Thomas, Maryville, Tennessee, on behalf of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA; Michael W. McConnell, University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois; and Forest D. Montgomery, National Association of Evangelicals, Washington, D.C.

Hearings will continue on Wednesday, October 25.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 2 public bills, H.R. 2517–2518 were introduced. Page H10520

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2371, to provide trade agreements authority to the President, amended (H. Rept. 104–285, Part 1):

Conference report on H.R. 2002, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996 (H. Rept. 104–286);

H.R. 1358, to require the Secretary of Commerce to convey the Commonwealth of Massachusetts the National Marine Fisheries Service laboratory located on Emerson Avenue in Gloucester, Massachusetts, amended (H. Rept. 104–287); and

H.R. 2005, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make technical corrections in maps relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System (H. Rept. 104–288).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a message from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Upton to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H10487

Recess: House recessed at 10:02 a.m. and reconvened at 6:35 p.m. Page H10487

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page H10487.

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of October 23 through 28, 1995

Senate Chamber

On *Monday and Tuesday*, Senate will consider S. 1322, regarding the relocation of the Embassy in Israel, and may consider S. 1328, to amend the commencement dates of certain temporary Federal judgeships, S. 1004, to authorize appropriations for the U.S. Coast Guard, and S. 325, to make certain technical corrections in laws relating to Native Americans.

On *Wednesday*, Senate may consider the Omnibus Reconciliation Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may also consider S. 908, State Department Authorizations/ Reorganization, H.R. 2127, Labor, HHS, Education Appropriations, 1996, conference reports (when available, and any cleared legislative and executive business.

(Senate will recess on Tuesday, October 24, 1995, from 12:30 until 2:15 p.m. for respective party conferences.)

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on the Budget, business meeting, to continue to mark up proposed legislation to provide for reconciliation pursuant to H. Con. Res. 67, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, time to be announced, SD–608.